

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to our name.

We believe that we are the original, first and sole inventors of the subject matter which is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THE INTEROPERABILITY AND
MANIPULATION OF DATA IN A COMPUTER NETWORK**

the specification of which is attached hereto, unless the following box is checked:

_____ was filed on _____, as United States Application Number or PCT
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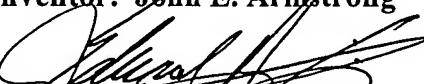
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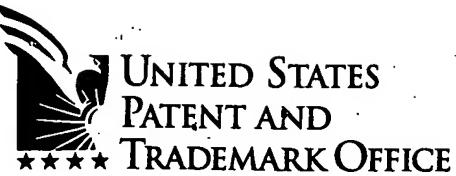
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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR(S) of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

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ASSIGNEE: Name: **EUROPA SOFTWARE INCORPORATED**
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and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions, and in all foreign countries, including all rights to claim priority in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

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and which is found in (37 C.F.R. § 3.21)

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To comply with 37 C.F.R. § 3.21 for recordal of this assignment, we, as ASSIGNOR(S) signing below, hereby authorize and request our attorney to insert below the filing date and application number when they become known.

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and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for such invention by the above application or any continuation, division, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to letters patent, any reissue or re-examination thereof.

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ASSIGNOR(S) further covenant that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR(S) and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said

Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

~~JOHN E. ARMSTRONG~~

Personally appeared before me this day, the above named John E. Armstrong, to me personally known, who acknowledged that he signed the foregoing instrument, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that the same is his free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this ____ day of

, 20.

Notary Public

(Seal)

Signed at _____, _____ on this _____

(City)

(State)

____ day of _____, 20_____
(day) (Month)

(day)

(Month)

MARCIA R. ARMSTRONG

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
COUNTY OF)

Personally appeared before me this day, the above named Marcia R. Armstrong, to me personally known, who acknowledged that he signed the foregoing instrument, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that the same is his free act and deed.

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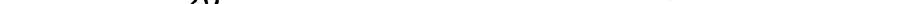
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DAN R. DAFFER

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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Personally appeared before me this day, the above named Dan R. Daffer, to me personally known, who acknowledged that he signed the foregoing instrument, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that the same is his free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this _____ day of
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(State)

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ROBERT J. OFFERMAN

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this day of

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Notary Public

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Shell L. Pierce
Shell L. PIERCE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF)
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